

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

SB 2416 – HB 2568

March 14, 2012

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS (014137, 013758): Deletes all language after the enacting clause. Enacts the Henry Granju Act. Requires, on or before August 30 of each year, the Tennessee Hospital Association (THA) to submit to the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities, a report of the prior calendar year's de-identified aggregate claims data on every inpatient or outpatient discharge that provides data from every claim that includes coded overdoses and deaths that are due to controlled substances that have been reported by licensed hospitals. Requires the Commissioner of the Department of Health (DOH) to establish, by January 1, 2013, a protocol for use by medical examiners in cases involving death resulting from opiate, illegal or illicit drug overdose.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions applied to amendments:

- DOH will develop a protocol, by rule, during regularly scheduled Board meetings, without a significant increase in state expenditures.
- DOH's Division of Health Statistics will supplement its web-based data reporting collection system, and define the date format and submission procedures. The data elements to be collected will be determined by the Board in consultation with the Commissioner of DOH and based on the existing ICD coding for drug overdoses. As collection of aggregate data is less cumbersome than patient specific data, it is assumed that any increase in expenditures for the collection of additional data will be not significant and can be accommodated within existing budgetary resources.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 68-11-216, the Board for Licensing Health Care Facilities is required to be self-supporting. As of June 30, 2011, the Board had a balance of \$594,768.55.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a more compact, stylized manner, followed by "D." and "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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